

Mono County Fisheries Commission
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Local Program Funding

The Mono County Fisheries Commission has funds available to assist organized, non-profit, local groups. Examples of types of programs that may be supported by this funding are: fish enhancement, wildlife care, and community events; educational programs or youth programs that are related to fishing, hunting, and/or wildlife.

There are two funds from which disbursement may originate. The first is a fund that may be disbursed from at the discretion of the Mono County Fisheries Commission (MCFC.) The second is the Fish and Game Fine Fund which has legislative requirements which must be met for the funding to be used. (See attached excerpt of the Fish & Game Code) If an entity requests monies specifically from this fund, and the reason(s) meets the legislative requirements, then the MCFC will consider the request. The MCFC may only recommend approval of this type of expenditure to the Mono County Board of Supervisors. The Mono County Board of Supervisors must approve of the expenditure prior to any disbursement.

Anyone requesting any funds from the MCFC must prepare and submit the attached funding request form in order to be placed on the MCFC's agenda for consideration. A representative of the requesting organization will be required to appear at a meeting with a background summary of the program for which they are requesting money. Also, any relevant statistics, budget and/or receipts, and any additional pertinent information should be presented. If the application is approved, then the recipient will be required to enter into an agreement with Mono County for the disbursement of the funds. Additionally, the recipient should be prepared to return to the Commission at a later date, upon the request of the MCFC and/or as provided in the agreement, to provide an update as to the use of the funds and if relevant, the success of the event. It should be noted that even after the application is approved and the agreement is signed, no monies will be disbursed without proof of expenditures being provided to the Economic Development Director.

Granting of funds will be considered in the order in which they are received and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. All funds must be expended during the fiscal year they are granted.

Attached is a copy of the funding request form. Forms may be submitted by mail, or electronically. Please request only the amount necessary to accommodate the needs of your organization so that the limited available funds can benefit as many local groups as possible.

To obtain an application, additional information, or assistance, and to submit completed requests, please contact:

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**Mono County Fisheries Commission
Local Funding Request Form**

1. Name of Organization_____

2. Mailing Address _____

3. Contact Person (Chairperson)_____
Phone _____

4. Purpose of Organization

5. Amount of funding requested \$_____ Tax ID #_____
If you do not have a tax ID number, has one been requested? Yes____No____

6. Please describe in detail how the requested funding will be used.

7. What other sources have you pursued to obtain funding? Please attach any information that will assist in establishing the funding history of the organization.

8. Length of Program_____

9. Number of local participants/volunteers_____

10. Please feel free to provide any additional information you feel pertinent that would aid the Commission in evaluating your request.

13102. Expenditures from the fish and game propagation fund of any county shall be subject to the provisions of Division 3 (commencing with Section 29000) of Title 3 of the Government Code.

13103. Expenditures from the fish and wildlife propagation fund of any county may be made only for the following purposes:

(a) Public education relating to the scientific principles of fish and wildlife conservation, consisting of supervised formal instruction carried out pursuant to a planned curriculum and aids to education such as literature, audio and video recordings, training models, and nature study facilities.

(b) Temporary emergency treatment and care of injured or orphaned wildlife.

(c) Temporary treatment and care of wildlife confiscated by the department as evidence.

(d) Breeding, raising, purchasing, or releasing fish or wildlife which are to be released upon approval of the department pursuant to Sections 6400 and 6401 onto land or into waters of local, state, or federal agencies or onto land or into waters open to the public.

(e) Improvement of fish and wildlife habitat, including, but not limited to, construction of fish screens, weirs, and ladders; drainage or other watershed improvements; gravel and rock removal or placement; construction of irrigation and water distribution systems; earthwork and grading; fencing; planting trees and other vegetation management; and removal of barriers to the migration of fish and wildlife.

(f) Construction, maintenance, and operation of public hatchery facilities.

(g) Purchase and maintain materials, supplies, or equipment for either the department's ownership and use or the department's use in the normal performance of the department's responsibilities.

(h) Predator control actions for the benefit of fish or wildlife following certification in writing by the department that the proposed actions will significantly benefit a particular wildlife species.

(i) Scientific fish and wildlife research conducted by institutions of higher learning, qualified researchers, or governmental agencies, if approved by the department.

(j) Reasonable administrative costs, excluding the costs of audits required by Section 13104, for secretarial service, travel, and postage by the county fish and wildlife commission when authorized by the county board of supervisors. For purposes of this subdivision, "reasonable cost" means an amount which does not exceed 3 percent of the average amount received by the fund during the previous three-year period, or three thousand dollars (\$3,000) annually, whichever is greater, excluding any funds carried over from a previous fiscal year.

(k) Contributions to a secret witness program for the purpose of facilitating enforcement of this code and regulations adopted pursuant to this code.

(l) Costs incurred by the district attorney or city attorney in investigating and prosecuting civil and criminal actions for violations of this code, as approved by the department.

(m) Other expenditures, approved by the department, for the purpose of protecting, conserving, propagating, and preserving fish and wildlife.

13104. The department may audit, or require the county to audit, expenditures by the county from its fish and wildlife propagation fund in order to determine compliance with this chapter.

